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SUBJ: FOREIGN MINISTER'S VIEWS ON COLOMBO SUMMIT

1. DURING COURSE OF ACALL ON FOREIGN MINISTER ARYAL AMBASSADOR DISCUSSED QUESTIONS LIKELY TO ARISE DURING FORTHCOMING COLOMBO SUMMIT OF NON-ALIGNED. FOREIGN MINISTER SAID THT AS FAR AS KOREAN QUESTION IS CONCERNED NEPAL CONTINUES TO BELIEVE THAT PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT CAN BE ACHIEVED ONLY THROUGH BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN TWO KOREAS OR THROUGH FOUR POWER CONFERENCE AS PROPOSED BY SECRETARY. ARYAL SAID THAT IT WOULD BE A MISTAKE TO ABOLISH UN COMMAND UNILATERALLY, THEREBY ABROGATING ARMISTICE ARRANGEMENTS. NEPAL, HE SAID, WOULD CONTINUE TO ADOPT MODERATE POSITION IN COLOMBO AND WOULD RESTRICT ITS COMMENTS ON KOREAN ISSUE TO STATEMENT URGING CONTINUED DIALOGUE BETWEEN NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA.

2. AS FOR ISRAELI AND MIDDLE EAST ISSUES, FOREIGN MINISTER REITERATED NEPAL'S DESIRE TO REMAIN NEUTRAL. NEPAL, HE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SAID, CONTINUED TO SUPPORT CONCEPT BEHIND RESOLUTION 242 AND WHILE RECOGNIZING RIGHT OF PALESTINIANS, ALSO RECOGNIZED RIGHT OF ISRAELIS IN MIDDLE EAST QUESTIONS.

3. TURNING TO QUESTION OF INDIAN OCEAN FOREIGN MINISTER
SAID THAT HE AGREED WITH PRC POSITION THAT IF INDIAN OCEAN
WAS TO MADE A ZONE OF PEACE IT MUST APPLY TO ALL STATES.
HE NOTED THAT WHEREAS INDIA AND OTHERS LITTORAL STATES HAD
SINGLED OUT U.S. BASES IN INDIAN OCEAN FOR ATTACK, IN
REALITY THE USSR HAS NOT ONLY INCREASED ITS PRESENCE IN
AREA BUT HAD ALSO MADE INROADS IN EXERTING ITS INFLUENCE
IN STATES BORDERING THE LIKELY REGION.
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